



State Representative

9th Assembly District

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STATE AGENCY CONTACTS THAT CAN HELP YOU AND YOUR FAMILY

BadgerCare+ provides health insurance to low-income working families with children who are uninsured or who don't have access to health insurance. For more information, visit <http://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/badgercareplus/> or call 1-800-362-3002.

BadgerRx Gold brings affordable drugs to the uninsured and underinsured. It has no age requirement or screening for pre-existing health conditions. For more information, visit www.badgerxgold.com or call 866-809-9382.

SeniorCare is Wisconsin's prescription drug program for residents age 65 or older who have limited income and need help paying for their medications. For more information, visit www.dhfs.wisconsin.gov/seniorcare or call 800-657-2038.

Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs (WDVA), through the Veterans Trust Fund, provides education assistance, loans, need-based grants, long-term health care, assistance in applying for federal veterans benefits, and numerous other services to eligible Wisconsin veterans, deployed service members, and their families. Call (800) 827-1000 for information.

Elderly Benefit Specialists provide free services to Wisconsin residents 60 years of age and older who are having trouble securing a public or private benefit. For more information call 414 289 6874.



Dear Neighbor,

Staying in touch with you is the most important part of my job as your State Representative of the 9th Assembly District. It is my job to fight for you in Madison. My main concerns remain education and job creation throughout Wisconsin, and local control when it comes to public safety

I would like to hear from you so that I can best represent your interests in Madison. I hope you will take a few moments to fill out and return the attached questionnaire to share your opinion about some of the issues that we are currently facing in our district and across the state.

I look forward to hearing from you! You can always reach my office Toll-Free or via Email. I would also encourage you to visit our website at: <http://zepnick.assembly.wi.gov>

Sincerely,

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YOUR OPINION MATTERS TO ME!

Help me better represent you in Madison by taking this short survey on issues that are facing our state.

- 1) The recently passed state budget contained an income tax cut that will save an average Wisconsin family \$83 a year, but leaves Wisconsin with a structural deficit of approximately \$664 million in the 2015-17 budget. Which best reflects your opinion?
 - a) The tax cut was too small. Further cuts are needed, even if it means reducing funding for education and health care.
 - b) The reduction was about right.
 - c) The reduction was too large. It will harm our ability to fund critical programs and create a competitive workforce in Wisconsin's economy.
- 2) Governor Walker's 2013-2015 biennial budget substantially increases funding to private schools beyond Milwaukee and Racine, while nearly freezing public education spending, including cuts to Milwaukee schools. Do you support or oppose these cuts to public schools in order to pay for expanding vouchers?
Support Oppose Undecided
- 3) I support boosting Wisconsin businesses through job creation tax incentives, cutting regulatory red tape and increasing funding for worker training programs. Which of these economic development strategies should we focus on the most, moving forward?
 - a) Incentives for business expansion tied to job creation
 - b) Eliminating business regulation
 - c) Worker re-training programs
 - d) All of the above
- 4) There are currently a number of proposals being discussed to curb drunk driving in Wisconsin, which of these do you support?
 - a) Sobriety Checkpoints
 - b) Creating a "repeat offender" license plate to help police and the public better monitor repeat drunk drivers
 - c) Making first offense drunk driving a misdemeanor (currently it is a civil forfeiture).
 - d) State mandate on court sentencing for those convicted (i.e. mandatory minimums)
- 5) 19 states currently have a minimum wage above Wisconsin's. Do you support increasing minimum wage in Wisconsin from \$7.25 to \$7.60?
Yes No Undecided
- 6) Do you support background checks on all gun sales to prevent career criminals and people with severe mental illness from purchasing weapons?
Yes No Undecided
- 7) Do you feel our State should accept the Federal BadgerCare expansion dollars to insure 175,000 more of our people, save the state over \$495 million dollars over the next 10 years, and create 10,500 more jobs?
Yes No Undecided
- 8) Do you feel that the State of Wisconsin, under Governor Walker, is generally headed in the right direction?
Yes No Undecided